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# SENATE BILL No. 85

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 35-47-5-2.

**Synopsis:** Ballistic knives. Prohibits the manufacture, possession, or sale of a ballistic knife. Legalizes knives with blades that open automatically.

**Effective:** July 1, 2008.

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January 8, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters.

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Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2007 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 35-47-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 2. **(a) As used in this**  
3 **section, "ballistic knife" means a knife with a detachable blade that**  
4 **may be expelled from the handle or frame of the knife.**  
5 **(b) It is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to knowingly or**  
6 **intentionally manufacture, possess, display, offer, sell, lend, give**  
7 **away, or purchase any knife with a blade that:**  
8 **(1) opens automatically; or**  
9 **(2) may be propelled;**  
10 **by hand pressure applied to a button; device containing gas; spring; or**  
11 **other device in the handle of the knife: a ballistic knife.**  
12 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008] **IC 35-47-5-2, as**  
13 **amended by this act, applies only to crimes committed after June**  
14 **30, 2008.**



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